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German police nab suspect in TWA hijacking

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — Police have arrested a suspect in the 1985 hijacking of a TWA jetliner to Beirut, the Frankfurt prosecutor's office said today. The Lebanese man was carrying what authorities suspected were explosives.

The man was arrested at Frankfurt airport Tuesday after customs police discovered he was carrying "material that could be explosives," Jochem Schroers, a spokesman for Frankfurt prosecutor Hans-Eberhard Klein, told The Associated Press.

Authorities believe the man was preparing a bomb attack, but it is unclear whether the attack was to have been in West Germany, Schroers said.

Police declined to give the suspect's name. He is in investigative custody and has not been formally charged.

Interior Minister Friedrich Zimmermann told journalists in Bonn today the suspect was "a big fish."

The Frankfurt arrest came one day after Italian authorities stopped a Lebanese man carrying more than 20 pounds of plastic explosives and detonators through the Milan airport. Neither West German nor Italian authorities have given any indication of a link between the two cases.

Bashir al-Khodri, 26, was arrested Monday night when Italian customs found the explosives and detonators hidden in chocolate Easter eggs and in picture frames.

The TWA airliner was hijacked June 14, 1985, on a flight from Athens to Rome. It was taken to Beirut, where the hijackers killed a

U.S. Navy diver and held 39 other Americans for 17 days before releasing them.

The man arrested Tuesday had flown to Frankfurt from Beirut on Middle East Airlines, Schroers said.

The suspect, who was carrying a forged passport, was identified by fingerprints as one of the hijackers of the TWA plane, security sources said. The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he is believed to belong to a Shiite Moslem group.

Zimmermann said authorities had found "material" on the man that could help in further investigations. He refused to elaborate.

Experts at the Federal Crime Office in Wiesbaden are investigating the suspected explosives that were found in his luggage, Schroers said.

The man's arrest was first reported in the Rheinpfalz daily newspaper of Ludwigshafen.

There have been no previous arrests in the 1985 TWA hijacking, although the Lebanese prosecutor for the Beirut district indicted five Shiite Moslems.

The hijackers, Shiite militants, freed the hostages after Syrian mediation. When they freed the hostages, two of the hijackers, hooded and carrying handguns, read a lengthy statement to reporters at the Beirut airport terminal. Then they walked away and were not seen again.

The Lebanese indictment was issued in Christian east Beirut and was largely symbolic, as it was unenforceable in Moslem west Beirut.



Dealers at the Tokyo Foreign Exchange Market talk on the phones during Wednesday morning's trading session as the dollar stands at 155.85 yen. The dollar rebounded in the trading due mainly to intervention by the Bank of Japan. The dollar's decline has heightened tensions with major trading partners of the U.S.

Official issues help plea

By George Loyne Herald Reporter

A member of the Manchester Zoning Board of Appeals Wednesday called on the town to hire more personnel to help Zoning Enforcement Officer Thomas R. O'Marra, who contends that he is swamped by new development in Manchester.

"The man is completely overworked," ZBA member Harry Reinhorn said at a meeting of the Republican Town Committee. He said the town should put money in next year's budget for one or two assistants.

O'Marra this morning refused to say if he felt assistants should be hired. He said that was a matter for Town Manager Robert Weiss to consider as he puts together his budget proposal for the fiscal year that will begin July 1.

However, O'Marra did say the workload has dramatically increased over the last few years, and said hiring additional help is "something that should seriously be considered."

The zoning enforcement officer is responsible for reviewing all building plans and zone-change applications to see if they comply with town regulations. He also issues certificates of occupancy, responds to complaints, is the town's inland-wetlands agent, and makes sure that industrial park guidelines are followed.

O'Marra said his duties in all areas, except for inspections in the Buckland Industrial Park, have increased as new building has occurred in Manchester. He explained that new construction often touches on a variety of areas under his jurisdiction.

"We're beginning to do things near wetlands that we've never did before. One thing leads to the other," he said.

O'Marra said that because of his large workload, there have been delays following up on matters and responding to complaints.

Weiss said this morning he is aware there is a problem with the workload in the zoning office. "There's no question there's a crunch in a lot of the departments in town," he said.

Weiss said he will probably consider hiring more help in the zoning office when he puts together his budget proposal. However, he said he has not yet received the department's recommendations.

Other departments feeling the effect of an increase in development are the building department and town clerk's office, Weiss said. As building levels off, the workload and need for more staff may stabilize, but the zoning enforcement office will probably still have a lot to do, he said.

"It's not only the enforcement of new things, but the things built years ago," he said. He said the zoning officer acts as "kind of a policeman" for development matters.

Hinckley got pass despite objections

WASHINGTON (AP) — A mental hospital gave would-be presidential assassin John W. Hinckley Jr. a 12-hour pass for a holiday meeting with his parents last month, despite objections by the Secret Service.

The Secret Service, notified about a week before the Dec. 28 pass was issued, consulted U.S. Attorney Joseph E. diGenova but found it could not block the decision by the St. Elizabeths Hospital in Washington, Secret Service spokesman Richard Adams said Wednesday.

"This was a decision made by the hospital. It was a medical decision they made over our objections," Adams said. "Our evaluation of Mr. Hinckley hasn't changed. We still feel him to be a threat to our protectees."

Hinckley, 31, has been confined in the federal institution since being found innocent by reason of insanity in the March 30, 1981, shooting of President Reagan.

Reagan was vacationing at his California ranch when Hinckley, accompanied by a hospital escort, met his parents, Jack and Jo Ann Hinckley, at a center in Reston, Va., run by Prison Fellowship Ministries.

DiGenova, in a statement Wednesday, said Hinckley was released under a federal statute that places the decision in the hands of the hospital administrator and does not require court permission.

"If there had been a request for the court's permission, we would have opposed release because we do not believe that anyone who tries to nullify a national election with a bullet deserves the privilege of moving freely in a civilized society," diGenova said.

Adams said the Secret Service monitored Hinckley during his release.

"We were aware of his release

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Dollar's skid fuels tensions with major trading partners

By Peter Coy The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The dollar's latest skid on currency markets should help shrink the mammoth U.S. trade deficit, but it also could re-ignite inflation and even trigger a recession if it gets out of control, some economists say.

The dollar dropped sharply again Wednesday as the White House said it expected the dollar to fall further. Economists said that while the dollar's drop aids the Reagan administration in its contest with Congress and major U.S. trading partners, it carries dangers as well.

This is a high-risk strategy. I call it an international game of chicken," said Robert Brusca, chief economist of Nikko Securities Co. International Inc. in New York.

"It's comparable to navigating a ship in rocky waters. You have to zig and zag at the right time, or something is going to get you," said Irwin Kellner, chief economist for Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., said Wednesday.

In Paris, French Finance Minister Edouard Balladur said European nations and Japan "consider that the current drop of the dollar is excessive, unjustified and damaging for the world economy."

Presidential spokesman Larry Speakes denied that the U.S. government is doing anything to encourage a lower dollar, but the dollar continued to drop against other currencies.

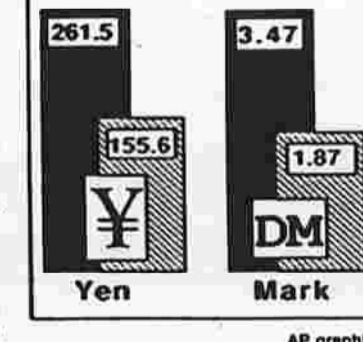
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the dollar has sunk further against the West German mark than it was expected to fall in all of 1987 in a recent poll of 48 international economists by Blue Chip Economic Worldscan of St. Louis.

Against the Japanese yen, the dollar is nearing the Blue Chip forecast for its value at the end of 1987.

The dollar began its most recent slide late last month after the government reported a record monthly trade deficit of more than \$19 billion for November, the economy showed signs of weakness and oil prices rose.

On the positive side, a further fall in the dollar eventually should shrink the trade deficit, which topped \$170 billion last year, and that could help the Reagan administration dissuade Congress from enacting protectionist legislation.

A deflated dollar helps U.S. producers by making imports more expensive and exports cheaper.

The lower dollar also is putting intense pressure on Japan and West Germany to take the advice of the United States and stimulate their domestic economies. If they do, it could spark a worldwide economic revival, which would create a bigger market for U.S. exports and shrink its trade deficit.

But the falling dollar could cause a new round of inflation, especially if domestic manufacturers take advantage of the breathing room from higher import prices to raise their own prices.

Lawmakers back state death law

By the Manchester Herald and The Associated Press

While Gov. William A. O'Neill said Wednesday he is willing to consider a proposal to replace the death penalty with life imprisonment without parole, the idea met with criticism from two Manchester-area Democrats who serve on the panel — Reps. James R. McCavanagh of Manchester and Edith G. Prague of Columbia.

"In these days of overcrowded prisons with all kinds of early-release programs, the threat or risk of life imprisonment without parole simply does not provide the same deterrent to the would-be criminal," McCavanagh said.

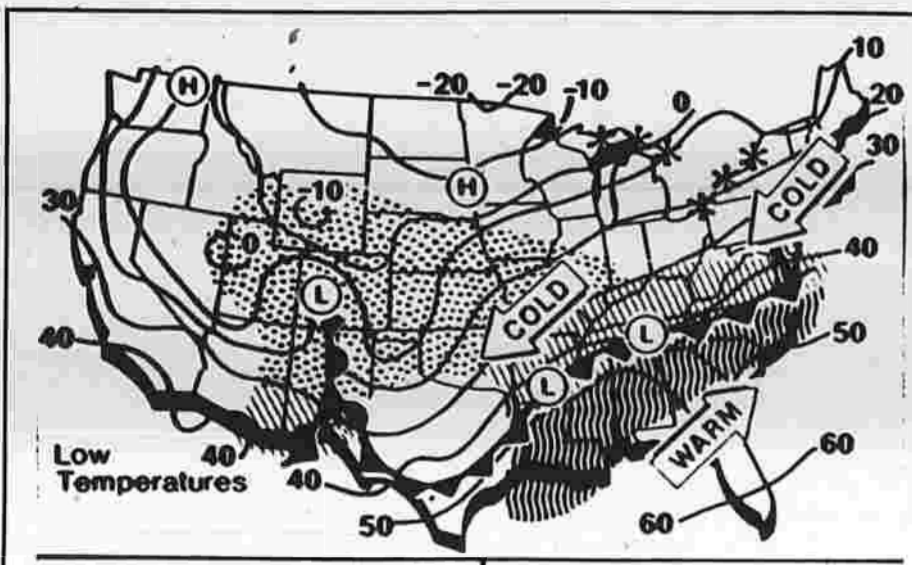
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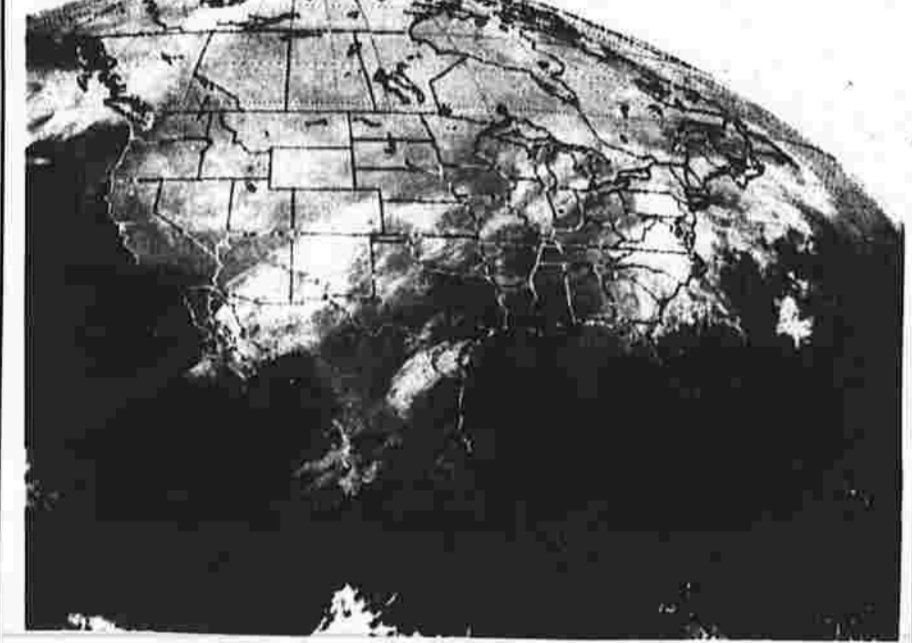
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Connecticut forecast
Central, Eastern Interior, Southwest Interior: Tonight, partly cloudy with a chance of flurries. Low 25 to 30. Friday, partly sunny and colder. High around 30.
West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 25 to 30. Friday, partly sunny and colder. High in the lower 30s.
Northwest Hills: Tonight, partly cloudy with scattered flurries. Low around 20. Friday, partly sunny and cold. High in the middle 20s.

Coastal forecast
Long Island Sound to Watch Hill, R.I. and Montauk Point:
Wind southwest increasing to 15 to 20 knots today shifting to northwest during tonight and increasing to 20 to 30 knots with higher gusts Friday.
Sea increasing to 2 to 3 feet today and Friday and averaging 2 feet tonight.
Occasional light rain today. Visibility occasionally 1 to 3 miles in precipitation or patchy fog into this evening.
Cloudy with chance of occasional light rain into early this evening. Some clearing and colder later tonight then mixed clouds and sun Friday.

NATIONAL FORECAST — The National Weather Service forecasts snow for Friday from the central Rockies to the Midwest. Rain and showers are forecast from the central Gulf to the Ohio Valley, Chesapeake and Carolinas coast.



MORNING CLOUD COVER — Weather satellite picture recorded at 4:30 a.m. today shows diffuse clouds over the northern Rockies producing light snow. Broken frontal clouds reach from southern Arizona through the Great Lakes region. Broken layered cloudiness associated with an upper-air disturbance over Alabama spreads from Florida northward through the Middle Atlantic region.

PEOPLE

Worst-dressed

Actress Meryl Streep, who sometimes makes her own clothes, topped the 27th annual list of worst-dressed women issued by dress designer and fashion arbiter Mr. Blackwell.



MERYL STREEP leads Blackwell list



HONEY ALEXANDER on the way out

"The problem is that most of the women in the world could have made the list," said Blackwell, who prefers to be known by his professional name. "The whole trouble is, we only had room for 10."

"It's funny how any announcement I make turns into a scandal," said the 54-year-old actress.

Hustling out
The doors of Tennessee's Executive Residence in Nashville were flung open for a procession

A new marriage
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conference in New York Wednesday, the violet-eyed actress revealed what had been billed for days as her "top-secret news" — a deal with Parfums International Ltd.

"Don't ask me if I'm going to go on Joan Rivers' show," she quipped.

Today's quotes
"They thought they could kill the dream if they killed the dreamer. But the dream is alive and well." — The Rev. Timothy McDonald, Atlanta's First Iconium Baptist Church, on the eve of the federal holiday in Martin Luther King Jr.'s memory.

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Manchester/Area Towns In Brief

Collision, flight lead to charges

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Five By Five

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DO YOU KNOW

Who is the current Secretary of Defense?
WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER — Dogs belong to the canine family of animals.

Almanac

Today is Thursday, Jan. 15, the 15th day of 1987. There are 350 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Twenty years ago, on Jan. 15, 1967, the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first Super Bowl, played at Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles.

In 1976, Sara Jane Moore was sentenced to life in prison for her attempt to shoot President Gerald R. Ford in San Francisco.

Five years ago: Pulitzer Prize-winning sports writer Red Smith died in Stamford, Conn., at age 76. One year ago: Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev proposed the elimination of all nuclear weapons by the year 2000, but said the United States had to renounce its Strategic Defense Initiative.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Lloyd Bridges is 74. The Archbishop of New York, John J. O'Connor, is 67. Actress Margaret O'Brien is 50. Actress singer Charo is 36.

Thought for Today: "To fear love is to fear life, and those who fear life are already three parts dead." — Bertrand Russell, British philosopher (1872-1970).

On the Light Side

Status symbols

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — It barks like a dog, cuddles like a kitten, looks like a large guinea pig and, a pet shop owner hopes, is developing as a status symbol pet.

Western farmers also probably hope prairie dogs catch on.

Jack Briel, a suburban Grand Rapids pet shop owner, says he bought a batch of the woolly rodents last spring, quickly sold 18 for \$75 each, and is awaiting a new shipment.

John and Jacquie Berning bought a female prairie dog July and are thinking of ordering a male companion. "She'll sit in our laps and watch TV and run around the house," Berning, 25, of Spring Lake Township, said Wednesday. "They're a neat little pet."

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Thompson backs prescription bill

Disabled persons as well as senior citizens would be eligible for inclusion in a state assistance program to help pay drug bills, under a proposal Rep. John W. Thompson, D-Manchester, is co-sponsoring.

Thompson said the Human Services Committee of the Legislature is scheduled to meet today and he expects it to act favorably. He said the measure will probably be considered by the Appropriations Committee next week.

The existing program requires a \$15 annual fee for participation and pays half the cost of prescription drugs. The new bill calls for eliminating the annual fee and a flat \$4 payment on every prescription.

The bill also calls for a raise in the annual gross income limit for determining eligibility. The present limit for a unmarried person is \$9,000 and \$12,000 combined for a married couple. Thompson said Democrats want to raise that to \$13,000 for an individual and \$16,000 for a couple.

State Bank plans new branch

Officials at Manchester State Bank intend to open a branch office on Tolland Turnpike, a spokeswoman at the Connecticut Department of Banking said this morning.

According to an application filed Jan. 7, the branch will be located at 1046 Tolland Turnpike, at Heartland Plaza.

Woman hurt in Coventry crash

COVENTRY — A Rockville woman was hospitalized at Windham Community Memorial Hospital after a two-car accident Monday on Main Street.

Police said the woman, Lauren Shanahan, 26, was traveling north on Main Street near Monument Hill at 7:47 p.m., while a second driver, John Madden, 42, of Coventry, was traveling south on Main Street. Police are still investigating the accident.

Shanahan suffered multiple injuries and was admitted to the hospital's intensive care unit, a spokeswoman said. Madden was treated at the Windham hospital and released.

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Five join Republican committee

Five people joined the Manchester Republican Town Committee Wednesday, bringing the total number of members to 76. Based on the number of Republicans who voted in the Nov. 4 election, the group's authorized strength is now 83 members.

The new members are Ann Perotti of Oakland Street, Ellen Burns of Montclair Drive, Harvey Steves of Woodbridge Street, Patricia Cotten of Oak Grove Street and Theunis Werkhoven of Sanitina Drive.

In 1986, six people resigned from the town committee, Town Chairman Donald K. Kuehl has said.

Drunken driving alleged in crash

A South Windsor man has been charged with drunken driving in connection with an accident Friday night in which he and two others were injured, Manchester police said.

The man, Mark St. John, 31, was driving north on Taylor Street at 8:46 p.m. when he turned left into the path of an eastbound car, operated by Beverly R. Dodge, 19, of 30 Campfield Road, Manchester.

The two drivers and a passenger in Dodge's car, Mark Haddock, 18, of 47 Stonehead Lane, Bolton, were taken to Manchester Memorial Hospital, police said. A hospital spokeswoman said Haddock was treated for head lacerations and released, but she had no information on Dodge or St. John.

St. John, who was also charged with failure to grant the right of way, is to appear Jan. 26 in Manchester Superior Court.

MCC to host drug conference

Manchester Community College will host a conference on adolescent substance abuse Jan. 30, the school announced.

"Adolescent Substance Abuse: School Based Models of Prevention and Intervention," will feature Ellen Morehouse, executive director of Student Assistance Services Inc. of White Plains, N.Y., who will deliver the keynote address.

The program has been designed for school administrators, guidance personnel, social workers, local youth service workers and adolescent counselors, but the public is invited.

The registration deadline is Jan. 25. The \$40 fee includes lunch. To register, send your name, address and phone number with a check, made payable to MCC, to MS No. 5, 60 Bidwell Street, Manchester, 06040.

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Scholar gives MHS taste of China

By John Mitchell
Herald Reporter

Some Manchester High School students are going to have a taste of China, thanks to a new scholar-in-residence program that will begin at the school at the end of this month.

Sondra Stave, a Coventry resident who lived for a year in Beijing, will be the school's first resident scholar. She'll teach a course on Chinese studies at MHS.

Allen B. Chesterton, director of curriculum for Manchester schools, said officials included \$4,500 in the 1986-87 budget to pay for the town's first visiting-scholar program. The scholar will remain at MHS for a semester and teach seniors about two or three times a week, he said.

"It's probably going to be your honor students that go into it," Chesterton said. "Most of the average students have as full a program as they can handle."

Green Brooks, vice principal for program and instruction at MHS, said 15 students have already signed up for the course. No size limits will be placed on the class, she said.

Chesterton said the emphasis will be on finding scholars from various walks of life, and giving the students and teachers a chance to learn from them. "It's not a big program but it's one we think will gain in importance as the years go unpaved."

Perotti warned that the road is dangerous and pedestrians would be helped by the additional sidewalk. "It's like a highway. People go 50 miles an hour," she said.

Committee member Annabelle Dodge of Sycamore Lane argued that sidewalks should have been included in a plan approved last week by the town Board of Directors to improve Tolland Turnpike. She said sidewalks would help the elderly.

She criticized the town for not doing enough to build sidewalks in Manchester. "I'm for safety and I feel this town is 50 years behind," she said.

Republican Town Director Geoffrey Naab explained that the board eliminated sidewalks from the reconstruction plan because Tolland Turnpike residents didn't want them. But he said he agreed that sidewalks should have been included.

Republican Town Chairman Donald K. Kuehl cautioned members that building new sidewalks is expensive, and suggested that it may not be proper to force them upon residents. However, he said the Republican party should explore making sidewalks an issue in this year's campaign.

Committee member J. Winthrop Porter of Columbus Street complained that not enough was being done to repair existing sidewalks. In particular, he said the walk on Westminster Road was in bad shape.

Former town Director John Gar-side, who was named finance committee chairman, said he is also "very seriously" considering running for the town Board of Directors, which he left in 1970 when he took a job with the state government.

Former state Sen. Carl A. Zinsser was named chairman of the issues committee. Named to head the ways and means committee were Mary Warrington and Louis C. Kocis. Naab was appointed chairman of the bylaw revision committee, which will explore changes in party rules.

Porter, head of the candidate selection panel, said he has not been contacted by any people about running for office.

Man sues town over crash with cruiser

A Manchester man is suing a police officer and the town for injuries he suffered two years ago when his car was hit by a police cruiser going through a red light.

The suit, filed earlier this week in Hartford Superior Court, charges that Officer Robert J. McNeilly Jr., 46, was driving the cruiser east on West Center Street when he ran a red light at the intersection of Cooper Street, striking a southbound car driven by the plaintiff, Thomas Shivers, 31, of Walnut St.

Police said the cruiser's emergency strobe lights were flashing at the time, but the siren was not operating. McNeilly was not hurt in the accident, which occurred the night of Jan. 15, 1985.

Among other things, the suit states that McNeilly did not slow when approaching the intersection, as required under state law, and did not watch for other vehicles on the roadway.

Furthermore, it charges that he was traveling at an unreasonable speed and failed to take reasonable evasive action, such as applying breaks or turning to the left or right in time to avoid a collision.

The suit seeks at least \$15,000 in damages for injuries Shivers suffered that, the suit says, have made it impossible for him to continue working. The suit claims that Shivers' numerous spine-related injuries are likely to be permanent and have caused headaches, sleeplessness and a severe shock to the plaintiff's nervous system.

Cheney Hall Foundation repays loan on exterior

The loan used by the Cheney Hall Foundation to complete exterior renovation to the historic hall has been paid off, and the restoration effort starts the year with a \$20,000 cash balance toward interior renovations.

Mary Blish of the Little Theatre of Manchester reported on the status of the fund drive at a meeting of the foundation Wednesday afternoon.

In addition to the \$20,000, the Connecticut Historical Society has committed up to \$30,000, which must be used to bring gas and electric service into the building. This work has already been done, said Donald Kuehl, vice chairman of the foundation.

The loan that financed the initial work on the building was made by three Manchester banks.

Blish said more than \$400,000 was collected for the outside renovations.

So far, more than \$712,000 in donations have been pledged for the renovation, with more than \$475,000 received. In 1986, donations totaled \$122,500. Pledges for 1987 total \$48,650.

Blish said she is preparing an application to the State Historical Commission for a matching grant of \$50,000, the maximum available, for renovation work.

Kuehl reported that most of the architectural work for the interior renovations have been completed, but planning has not started for the mechanical work, such as electricity and plumbing.

He told Blish that the architect, Edward Brown, wants to have a final plan from LTM for theatrical lighting before he begins on design of the mechanicals.

One of the uses to which the hall will be put when it is completed is performances by LTM and other groups. Blish said LTM is now working out rental schedules. It is also planning that is too costly.

She said LTM, which will manage the operation of the hall, is also working out rental schedules. It is a long process, she said.

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O'Neill says 10 state officials will leave soon

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Gov. William A. O'Neill said perhaps 10 of his commissioners and other appointees will soon be departing, either on their own or at his behest, but he's still refusing to name them.

"Some people will be staying, some people will be going. Some people want to go," O'Neill told Capitol reporters Wednesday as they surrounded him as he left a meeting. It was the first serious exchange he had had in weeks with reporters, many of whom signed a petition the day before asking for a new conference.

O'Neill talked in general terms about his plans and said he expected to have the changes completed within a month.

Although he didn't mention it while talking with reporters, O'Neill announced through a news release dropped off in the Capitol press room, that he would nominate Orlando P. Ragazzi to head the Division on Special Revenue, succeeding A.W. Oppenheimer who asked not to be reappointed.

After winning re-election in November, O'Neill asked about 200 of his appointees to submit letters of resignation; he is now deciding which to accept.

He said he had indicated to some of them that they will not be reappointed but refused to say who they were.

"Some probably realize they have the opportunity to do other things. They'll have the opportunity to further their careers by leaving state service. So far, most of the people realize that they want to go."

He said he's having no trouble finding people to replace them, even though "the jobs, compared to the private sector, do not pay the same. The responsibilities are tremendous and the publicity ob-

tained in the position also can be either very good or very, very bad."

Prior to the election in November, O'Neill was frequently accessible, not only in news conferences but in what are known as "availability" in his office when he was swearing in someone or conducting some other ceremony.

Since then, his accessibility has dropped dramatically.

He said Wednesday, however, that he expected soon to return to the practice of regularly scheduling news conferences — something he had done after winning election in 1982 but later quietly dropped, chiefly using the "availabilities" in his office instead.

In response to the petition, signed by more than a dozen Capitol reporters, O'Neill said he expected to hold a news conference today or Friday.

"I miss you when I don't see you," he joked. "And by the way, I turned that petition over to the proper authorities to make sure the signatures were accurate."

Ragazzi, 63, a former mayor of Berlin and at one time the second-highest ranking state police officer, is now a member of the Gaming Policy Board, which oversees the division.

His nomination must be confirmed by the General Assembly. O'Neill said he had asked Oppenheimer to stay on until Ragazzi is confirmed.

Oppenheimer had recommended that his deputy, William T. Drakeley, take over the agency. Oppenheimer said he was disappointed that the governor didn't take his advice.



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An October 1985 warrant for Holmes' arrest accuses him of arranging several trips to bring cocaine to the exclusive preparatory school between September 1982 and April 1984. The warrant seeks his arrest for charges of intent to distribute, distributing, importing and conspiring to import and distribute the drug.

U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy Jr. confirmed that Holmes, a former Choate student, is expected to turn himself in next month.

Einhorn said Holmes, a U.S. citizen, is in the second year of a five-year engineering school in Caracas, Venezuela, and wants to schedule his return for the school's spring break. Holmes family is from Caracas.

Holmes' case is the only unresolved one in a federal investigation of drug abuse at the private school in which 16 students were arrested. The investigation began in 1984 when two Choate students were caught with drugs at Kennedy International Airport.

Einhorn said none of those arrested has had to serve jail terms.

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By H. Josef Hebert
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The tests showed no evidence of alcohol in either crewmember at the time of the collision.

A National Transportation and Safety Board spokeswoman, Rachel Halterman, said the agency would not comment on the test results, but The Washington Post quoted a drug expert as saying the marijuana levels were three to four times higher than standards used by transportation companies for the amount that impairs behavior.

Dr. Robert L. DuPont, the former head of the National Institute for Drug Abuse, was quoted as saying the levels indicate the men had used the drug either the day of the crash or the day before.

The railroad agency said the findings "do not constitute an allegation of fault or determination of probable cause" and will be used only as part of the overall investigation into the collision.

The urine and blood samples were taken within hours after the

accident from Richard Gates, the Conrail engineer, and Edward Cromwell, the brakeman. They were performed by the Civil Civil Aeromedical Institute in Oklahoma City.

Motor vehicle officials in Maryland, meanwhile, confirmed that Gates, 32, a Conrail employee for 11 years, has had at least eight highway speeding violations in the last 15 years and was arrested Dec. 5 for alleged failure to stop for a road signal and drunk driving.

Tests on tissue samples from the Amtrak engineer, Jerome Evans,

who was killed in the accident, showed no evidence of either alcohol or drug use, the federal agency said. All the results were turned over to the National Transportation Safety Board, where officials declined to comment.

Regardless of whether or not a direct link ever is established between the marijuana findings and the accident, the test results are likely to increase pressure in Congress for broader drug and alcohol testing in the railroad industry.

Federal requirements for testing

when drug or alcohol use is suspected were imposed a year ago and remain in effect despite court challenges from rail labor unions.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., chairman of the Transportation appropriations subcommittee, called the drug test results "very distressing" and suggested Wednesday night that Congress "consider very seriously" broader testing requirements for workers involved in train operations.

Lautenberg already has planned hearings into the Amtrak accident and other rail safety issues, as has Rep. James Florio, D-N.J., chairman of the surface transportation panel of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee.

According to the Federal Railroad Administration, the drug and alcohol tests showed marijuana in the blood and urine samples taken from Gates about 2 1/2 hours after the accident and from similar samples taken from Cromwell

about 9 1/2 hours after the collision.

The engineer is the primary operator of the locomotive, but investigators have said the brakeman under federal regulations is required to assist in observing and verbally calling out speed signals along the route.

The NTSB investigation into the accident has focused in recent days on Gates and Cromwell because their locomotive appears to have gone at excessive speed through at least two signals — one ordering it to stop — despite no evidence so far of mechanical failings in either the locomotive or the track signal system.

Gates, who was uninjured in the accident, has told investigators he noticed the stop signal when approaching the track intersection where the two trains collided, but couldn't bring his locomotive, which was pulling two other locomotives but no cars, to a safe halt.

Koch hits naming of prosecutor

By Royner Pike
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The appointment of a special prosecutor to investigate a white mob attack on three black men may set a bad precedent, Mayor Edward I. Koch says.

"People are going to say, 'My case is just as important as that case. Why don't you have a special prosecutor?'" Koch said Wednesday.

Charles J. Hynes, state special prosecutor for the city's criminal justice system, was named by Gov. Mario Cuomo on Tuesday to investigate the Dec. 20 attack.

The two survivors had refused to cooperate with the Queens district attorney's investigation of the incident, in which Michael Griffith was struck by a car and killed as he fled the attack in the Howard Beach neighborhood.

The survivors intend to cooperate with the special prosecutor, according to C. Vernon Mason, one of their lawyers. He said he also was speaking for the other survivor's lawyer, Alton Maddox.

Murder charges against Jon Lester and Scott Kern, both 17, and Jason Ladone, 16, were dropped because one survivor would not appear at a court hearing. They remain charged with reckless endangerment.

The appointment of the special prosecutor was announced at the end of a six-hour meeting with black leaders who endorsed the move.

Black leaders who joined Mason at a news conference outlined plans for a citywide display of mourning Jan. 21 for Griffith.

"We've said all along that mothers need time to recover from pregnancy and childbirth, families need time to adjust to the new family member and infants need time in a stable environment," Frank said.

The committee said that 85 percent of unemployed women are likely to become pregnant during their working lives.

Business representatives have said the extra payroll costs associated with pregnancy disability leave could be disastrous, especially for small enterprises.

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P.I. says police bungled murder case

NEWTON (AP) — A Danish-born flight attendant and mother of three children feared the husband now charged with her murder and told him she wanted a divorce shortly before her disappearance in November, a private investigator says.

Keith Mayo of New Milford, who was hired by the victim, 39-year-old Helle Crafts, reported her disappearance to Newton police on Dec. 1. She was last seen on Nov. 18.

At the time, Mayo said in a letter this week to the Newton Police Commission chairman, he handed over evidence "that would lead any detective to believe she did not voluntarily disappear."

But police, "half listened and then they blew me out the door," Mayo said.

Police Chief Louis Marchese declined comment Wednesday on Mayo's charges.

The investigation was turned

Doctor calls prison 'minimally acceptable'

NEW HAVEN (AP) — A psychiatrist testified that the pattern of mental health care at Somers state prison is below what he considered "minimally acceptable standards."

Zeman said he had not encountered evidence that psychiatric care at the prison was grossly negligent and said he did not consider the general care there to constitute malpractice.

He said he saw a need for additional prison staff members with psychiatric care qualifications

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Connecticut In Brief

Charity trial comes to close

WATERBURY — The trial of the founders of the Genie Project, a charity formed to grant the "last wishes" of sick and dying children, has ended as attorneys presented closing arguments.

Suzanne and Michael Bates are charged with violating state charity regulation laws. State prosecutors said Wednesday in Superior Court that the couple illegally solicited contributions by arranging fund-raising drives without being registered with the state Department of Consumer Protection. Prosecutors said the couple did this in an effort to conceal their personal use of the charity's money.

Michael Bates had testified that he believed that Genie Project's 1984 registration remained in effect, even though the charity did not file registration papers for 1985 until more than six months after the Jan. 31 deadline.

Carbide loses bid to move trials

A federal appeals court has ruled that the multibillion-dollar lawsuits against Union Carbide over the Bhopal chemical disaster should stay in the Indian courts.

The court Wednesday also eased the legal ground rules imposed on Union Carbide, which is based in Danbury, Conn.

"Practically all relevant factors demonstrate that transfer of the case to India for trial and adjudication is both fair and just to the parties," the 2nd U.S. Circuit of Appeals ruled in a unanimous decision.

The three-judge panel upheld U.S. District Judge John F. Keenan's May 1986 ruling transferring to India thousands of claims filed against Carbide in federal court here by individual victims and the Indian government.

New Haven murder victim identified

NEW HAVEN — New Haven's first homicide victim of 1987 has been identified as Patricia Konesky, 36, of New Haven, police said.

Konesky's body was found Tuesday by three boys playing in the Kimberly Ave. baseball field. She was fully clothed and lying face up in the dugout, police said.

A spokesman for the Medical Examiner's office in Farmington said Wednesday that Konesky died of trauma to the head caused by repeated blows with a blunt object and multiple stab wounds.

The victim lived on a street near the baseball field, police said. Police searched homes and businesses in the area Tuesday in an attempt to turn up leads.

Panel votes to end teacher grants

HARTFORD — The legislature's Education Committee has voted unanimously to dismantle an \$18 million grant program created last year by the Republican-controlled General Assembly as part of the massive teacher-salary act.

The program, which Education Commissioner Gerald N. Tirozzi had earlier characterized as little better than a bribe, would have paid every Connecticut teacher a one-time \$500 grant.

The idea had been to encourage teachers to take part in workshops and other activities to improve their teaching skills. But Tirozzi testified during a public hearing Tuesday that last year's law didn't specify the grant had to be used for professional development, so teachers could theoretically use the money for anything they wanted.

Barrier beach receives protection

NEW HAVEN — After three years of litigation, a fragile barrier beach is permanently protected against development, thanks to the efforts of environmental groups.

Cedar Island, a barrier beach at the mouth of the Housatonic River and adjacent to Hammonasset Point, will have 10 open lots which were the subject of a proposed construction, purchased by the Connecticut Chapter of The Nature Conservancy.

The group will turn the property over to the state so that it will become part of the Hammonasset Natural Area Preserve under the Recreation and Natural Heritage Trust Program, said Leslie Corey, director of the Connecticut Chapter of the conservancy.

When development of the land was proposed, the Connecticut Fund for the Environment intervened and objected to the project before the Clinton Planning and Zoning Commission. At the end of 1986, The Nature Conservancy negotiated purchase of the ten lots in a joint effort with the state.

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OPINION

The lessons from Bennet

The lesson in the dispute over rent increases at the town-sponsored Bennet Apartments may be read as proof that governments should not get involved in providing rental housing unless they are prepared to subsidize the rents and fix them at a relatively stable rate.

When some town leaders set out to promote the idea of joining forces with private interests to convert the former Bennet school building to apartments for elderly people, there was a good deal of opposition on the philosophical ground that the town should not be in the business of providing housing at market rates — or virtually at market rates — even for the elderly.

Proponents countered that the unused building existed simultaneously with the need, that commercial interests were not about to fill the need under the economic conditions of the time, and that the community owed something to its elderly citizens.

But the complicated partnership formed to convert the school building to apartments had to be structured in such a way that the town would assume no financial risk and that the project would cost taxpayers nothing.

Now, even its chief proponent, town Director Stephen T. Cassano, admits the idea was flawed.

Cassano insists, and rightly so, that the Bennet project is a success now because it provides 45 good apartments for people who might otherwise not be able to find affordable ones in town and that the rents, even with the 6 percent increase voted Tuesday night, are below those in commercial apartment houses.

Moreover, Manchester was a pioneer when the federal government abandoned affordable housing as a goal, doing something to meet a need that the state government and other communities in Connecticut are just beginning to address.

Cassano's concern is that with the prospect of an annual 6 percent increase, the rents, even if they remain below market, may become too high in future years for tenants on fixed incomes to afford.

But the 6 percent annual increase in rents was projected in the beginning for anyone to see, and the implication of those increases was missed by everyone, including the press.

The state may come to the rescue with a housing subsidy, a proposal that seems to be gaining support in the General Assembly.

But as Cassano suggests, the same dilemma may arise in the town's plans to build housing for the elderly on North Elm Street. The parallels with Bennet are strong. The town owns the land, the need still exists, and the project is supposed to be done without subsidies for the rents.

If cost projections for North Elm have to include the provision for annual increases in rents, the town should be wary.

Last November, townpeople voted decisively in favor of a \$1.3 million bond issue for the North Elm project, despite the fact that the Bennet project had run into problems because some needed building repairs had been ignored too long. Thus their vote clearly indicates a commitment to the needs of the elderly.

The community might be willing to provide some kind of subsidy, with an appropriate test of eligibility, to ensure that once an elderly tenant gets in, he or she can afford to stay.



Jack Anderson

SBA lobbying case may go to grand jury

WASHINGTON — Allegations that the Small Business Administration's chief congressional lobbyist may have broken the law have been referred to the U.S. attorney for possible presentation to a grand jury.

The referral was made by the agency's own inspector general after an investigation into complaints about the way a demolition team of high-level SBA officials tried to get Congress to approve President Reagan's plan to dissolve the agency. The campaign failed; Congress kept SBA intact.

Sources told our associate Stewart Harris that the inspector general looked into the possibility that Richard Nelson, SBA's top Capitol Hill lobbyist, broke the law in an effort to help his superiors cause the agency to self-destruct. The sources declined to give specific details of the possible violations for fear of jeopardizing future investigations.

In addition to Nelson's role in the suicide mission, the inspector general examined the legality of an SBA pamphlet, "The Future of the SBA," which argued how easy it would be to dissolve the agency and turn its remaining functions over to the Commerce Department.

Also mentioned in the inspector general's report were acting administrator Charles Heatherly and communications director Richard Utley, who with Nelson spearheaded the lobbying campaign with Congress.

SBA EMPLOYEES, both current and former, blame the three officials for low morale within the agency. On his first day in charge — April 1, 1986 — Heatherly fired the regional SBA administrators in Boston, Philadelphia, Dallas, Denver and San Francisco; the Chicago director was fired the next day.

The Senate Committee on Small Business, a staunch advocate of SBA's continued existence, has denied a copy of the closely held inspector general's report. A congressional source told us the committee expects to receive a copy once the federal prosecutor decides whether to pursue the allegations against Nelson.

Last May the committee, then chaired by Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn., asked the comptroller general to investigate the possibility that Heatherly and his cohorts had violated federal law in expenditures made during the kamikaze attack on the SBA.

As we first disclosed, the comptroller general cleared Heatherly and other agency officials of all but one charge. According to the comptroller, SBA officials violated a federal ban on the use of appropriated funds for "publicity and propaganda" when they prepared editorials for use by newspapers favorable to Reagan's plan to scuttle the SBA.

"The editorials," the comptroller concluded, "are misleading as to their origin and reasonably constitute 'propaganda' within the common understanding of that term."

THE COMPTROLLER did not refer his findings to the federal prosecutor, because of "the difficulty in determining the exact amount expended illegally as well as the identity of any particular voucher involved" in the production of the pamphlet.

"We recommend, however, that the administrator of the SBA take action to ensure that future violations do not occur," the comptroller added.

Footnote: Nelson said he had not heard of the investigation, and said the inspector general didn't interview him. The U.S. attorney's office would neither confirm nor deny that it is studying the inspector general's report. Acting inspector general Raymond Randolph did not return repeated telephone calls.

Watch on waste
Commerce Department employees spent a total of 18,000 staff days on improper personal telephone calls in 1985, according to the department's inspector general. This cost the taxpayers an estimated \$3 million. "Over the years, a permissive attitude has developed that allows, if not encourages, (telephone) abuse," the inspector general noted. "Practices that are strictly forbidden by the regulations have become, in some employees' minds, a right." Most of the personal calls were to family members but many were to banks, horoscope services and dial-a-porn numbers.

BASICALLY, THE ISSUE comes down to selfishness. Existing homeowners want to maximize already-high values, even at the expense of those unable to buy or those who need to rent. Therefore, state intervention is needed. There are two options. The Legislature could pass a law forcing each community to develop zoning which permits accessory housing. It would be one way to make affordable housing available, with no state subsidies. Asked about it, O'Neill said, "Local zoning is very important. I personally believe that pressure from within a community as opposed to outside will change restrictive zoning so that children who grow up in a community can afford to live there."

Not in Stamford or many towns. An alternative is being considered by state Rep. Richard Blumenthal, co-chairman of the state's Planning and Zoning Committee: grants or loans to help elderly or poor conversion of their homes, to towns that permit it.

In any case, politicians, let's hear specific proposals not rhetoric.

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Open Forum

Living memorial to King's dream

To the Editor:
Last year, for the first time, we officially celebrated Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday as a national holiday. It was a recognized tribute and a good beginning toward honoring a great American of true distinction. But if we are going to truly celebrate Dr. King's life, we need to continue some of the work he valued so highly.

To this end we are establishing a Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund that will be offered through the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. The proceeds from this fund will assist a black senior student from Manchester with college-related expenses at a two- or four-year college. Students will be selected on the basis of their academic credentials, financial need, and extracurricular activities. We see this fund as both a help to students wanting to further their education and also as a living memorial to Dr. King's dream.

We are appealing to you for help in making this fund a reality. Each contribution is important. Your tax-deductible donations to the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund may be made to the Manchester State Bank, 1041 Main St., Manchester, 06040.

Thank you for your help in advancing the dream Dr. King left with all of us, and please plan to join us on Monday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Center Congregational Church for the second annual celebration of Dr. King's birthday.

Stephen T. Cassano,
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Town itself won't clear away snow

To the Editor:
Lately we have been reading and hearing a lot about enforcing the ordinance that sidewalks should be cleared 24 hours after a storm. How can you enforce it if the town itself does not clean the walks that it owns?

When Ted Fairbanks was supervisor of maintenance of the town schools, every fall he would issue a letter to the school custodians that on the weekend, if it snowed two inches or more, they were to go in and clear the walks. But now if it snows Friday night, no matter how deep, the snow stays on the walks till Monday morning. It is walked on all weekend, and packed down and frozen so hard that it is impossible to get it off. With a couple of hours of overtime while the snow is soft, it could be cleared off so much more easily. And nobody would fall, causing an injury and a suit against the town.

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Thomas O'Neill a special person

To the Editor:
The death of Thomas J. O'Neill, husband of Peg and father to Thomas, Raymond, John, Sheila and Mary, deeply saddens all who had the good fortune to have come into contact with a special person. Tom O'Neill spent the major portion of his adult life helping those in need. No individual in need ever knocked on Tom's door and left empty-handed. Tom

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How to provide for affordable housing



Northern Perspective
Michael J. McManus

to put a roof over the struggling young family... Let us show... that in Connecticut we regard state and affordable housing as the right of every citizen.

However, there was not one specific suggestion on what the state might do to help. The state's top housing officials were either unavailable or refused to answer phone calls on what specifies the state might propose.

What is the need? "Affordable shelter," as the governor put it.

In Stamford, the average selling price of a single-family home in the last six months was \$339,000. The town is not a Greenwich with many mansions. Modest three- to four-bedroom homes are fetching those prices because of a massive growth of white-collar jobs in corporations that have moved from New York City. The area's unemployment is an eye-popping 2.5 percent.

Even if a buyer had \$140,000 in equity in a former house, a \$200,000 mortgage on such a house requires a nearly \$100,000 household income. So even people with good income can't afford homes.

CONSIDER THE CASE of Frank Mollo, age 25. He works at two jobs, earning a total of \$39,000. But at his age, he had no down payment. So he could only buy a small home, with his parents, from a friend.

But Mollo has an answer to "help alleviate" the problem: legal accessory apartments, built into existing, but under-utilized homes. As a member of

the City Council, he proposed that step: "For young people, the price of an accessory apartment would be cheaper. This would also allow the homeowner to get back some of the money he had invested. For an older couple, it is the only way they can stay in their home and pay taxes."

But the Stamford City Council rejected accessory apartments by a vote of 29-6. Rep. Dennis White led the opposition because "we don't have enforcement of existing zoning regulations. The fact is you have 2,000 illegal accessory apartments now, with large old houses being chopped up and the front yard macadamized. This law would take the lid off."

Mollo responds: "A lot of work now being done is unsafe. I've seen stoves placed under wooden stairs, and one house burned down. If accessory apartments were legal, they would have to meet building codes. They can be done well. Greenwich permits them, and hasn't been ruined."

U.S./World In Brief

Pressure may speed SDI debut
WASHINGTON — Faced with mounting pressure from Congress for results from the billion-dollar research, the Reagan administration is talking about deploying anti-missile defenses far earlier than originally envisioned. Administration officials had hoped the research would allow officials to decide in the early 1990s whether to build and deploy an anti-missile shield, but this week Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger suggested that the cornerstone of the system could be put in place sooner.

Military leaders fear that the patience of Congress is very thin."

Sen. Dan Quayle, R-Ind., told Weinberger during a meeting of the Senate Armed Services Committee on Monday.

Officials linked to arms flights

WASHINGTON — Two Reagan administration officials and a CIA officer controlled arms flights to Nicaraguan rebels last year until the operation ended when one of those flights was shot down, according to U.S. government and private sources.

The flights, during a period when Congress had banned U.S. military aid to the rebels, were overseen by Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams, White House aide Lt. Col. Oliver L. North and a CIA officer in charge of covert support for the rebels, said the sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

North was fired Nov. 25 for his role in allegedly diverting Iranian arms sales profit to aid the Contras. Abrams, assistant for inter-American affairs, remains the State Department's chief official on Central America. The CIA officer belongs to the spy agency's clandestine services, and The Associated Press withheld his name out of concern for his safety.

One private American source in the aid network described the three officials as "a triad" who made all key decisions on the Contras, including distribution of weapons from the purportedly private aid network. A well-placed administration source confirmed that the three officials managed the arms flow to the rebels during 1986.

Attacks continue in Philippines

MANILA, Philippines — The military rushed more troops to Mindanao Island today after Moslem rebels killed five people and injured at least 24 in a series of attacks to protest government talks with a rival group.

A government negotiator, meanwhile, expressed hope for a quick breakthrough in talks being held today with Communists waging a separate rebellion.

Military chief Gen. Fidel V. Ramos said that "the government is in full control" in the four provinces of central Mindanao where the attacks took place Tuesday and Wednesday.

"Under the present circumstances, my order is for the military to clamp down on any show of force that endangers the lives and property of the people," Ramos told reporters in Zamboanga City on Mindanao.

Walte reports progress on hostages

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Anglican Church envoy Terry Walte said he was greatly encouraged by meetings with Lebanese militia and religious leaders as he works for the release of foreign hostages.

He also urged Westerners to take "extreme precautions" when entering Moslem West Beirut because of the danger of being kidnapped.

Since Walte arrived Monday in Beirut, two more foreigners have been kidnapped: a Saudi Arabian Embassy employee and a French journalist. No group claimed responsibility for the kidnappings, which brought to 18 the number of foreigners missing in Lebanon.

Walte, a layman and personal emissary of Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie, told a news conference Wednesday that he was "greatly encouraged by the support that has been expressed for my humanitarian mission here. I've received a great deal of support and understanding."

"I have every reason to believe that good progress is being made," Walte said, stressing that he was "not going to be specific about certain plans, but there are plans."

Accused spy said to be holding back

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The two men, who were meeting for the first time, greeted each other warmly by shaking hands, smiling and slapping each other on the back as snow fell.

The two negotiators declined to answer reporters' questions.

The official Soviet news agency Tass today quoted Vorontsov as saying in an interview that the Soviets see their principal task as making progress in the 22-month-old arms talks.

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Military chief Gen. Fidel V. Ramos said that "the government is in full control" in the four provinces of central Mindanao where the attacks took place Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Walte reports progress on hostages

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Anglican Church envoy Terry Walte said he was greatly encouraged by meetings with Lebanese militia and religious leaders as he works for the release of foreign hostages.

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Since Walte arrived Monday in Beirut, two more foreigners have been kidnapped: a Saudi Arabian Embassy employee and a French journalist. No group claimed responsibility for the kidnappings, which brought to 18 the number of foreigners missing in Lebanon.

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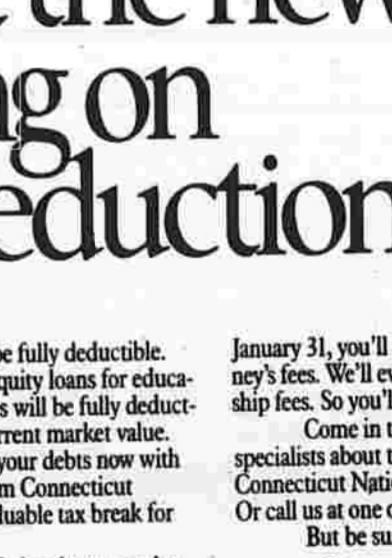
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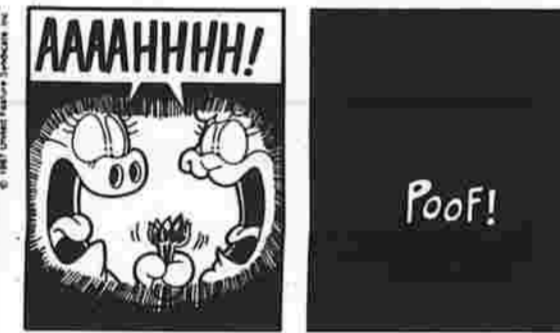
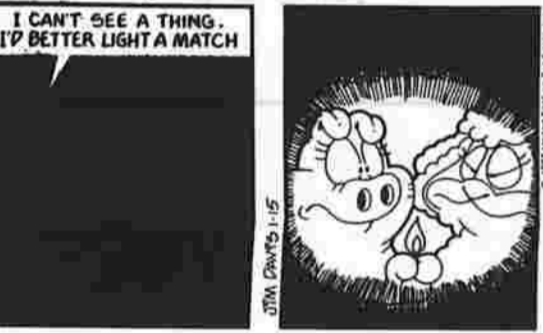
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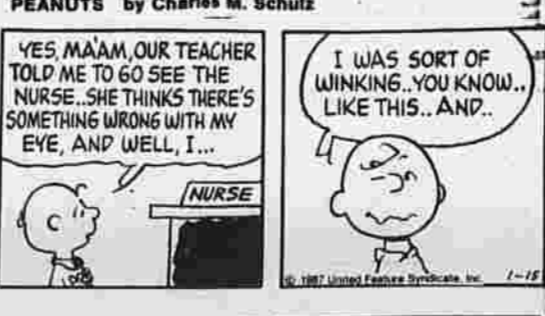


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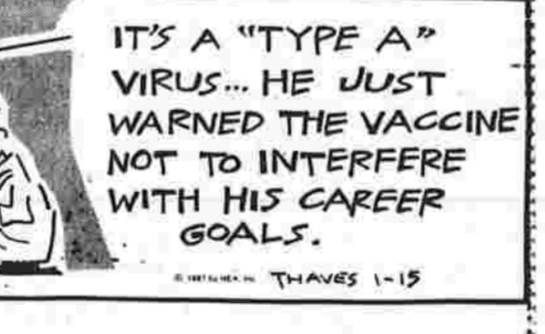
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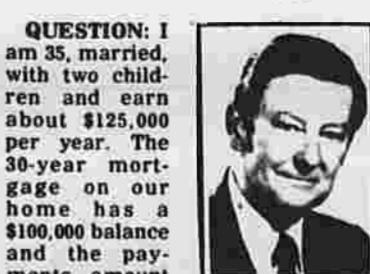
SBM tellers receive certification

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Vacation home has tax advantage



Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

QUESTION: I am 35, married, with two children and earn about \$125,000 per year. The 30-year mortgage on our home has a \$100,000 balance and the payments amount to \$15,000 annually...

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ANSWER: You'll have to file a Form 1040 return for the year in which you sell the home. Fill out and attach Form 2119, on which the exclusion is claimed, to your Form 1040.

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P&G may consolidate state subsidiary

CINCINNATI (AP) — The Procter & Gamble Co. is consolidating all operations of its Richardson-Vicks subsidiary in Connecticut into a single complex in Shelton, Conn.

The Shelton research center, which was opened in 1982, is a combination office and laboratory complex. The architects for the original building project, Fletcher-Thompson Inc. of Bridgeport, Conn., will supervise the expansion project.

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Vernon sale could affect house plans

By John F. Kirch
Herald Reporter

A South Windsor developer who wants to build 261 houses in northern Manchester might change those plans if he buys five acres of abutting land in Vernon, a company official said Wednesday.

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Manchester Planning Director Mark Pellegrini said that he was waiting for more information on Fairley's project and has not scheduled a public hearing on the proposal before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Fairley Associates has proposed to change the zone of 140 acres off Vernon Street in Manchester from Rural Residential, which allows a developer to build up to 1.3 residential units an acre, to Planned Residential Development, which allows 10 units an acre.

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Fairley is in the process of acquiring the land from Bolton developer George Negro. Company officials have said they are interested in buying a five-acre parcel that abuts the property to the north in Vernon.

But there is a problem. A group of Vernon residents are trying to stop the sale of the five acres, a 100-foot-by-700-foot strip that abuts the back yards of about 17 homeowners on Montauk Drive in Vernon and connects with Fairley's project.

The residents, led by George E. Roraback, 110 Montauk Drive, Vernon, have said they want the use of the area as a buffer between the proposed development in Manchester and their homes in Vernon.

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At the General Assembly Wednesday, legislators from both parties and representatives from municipalities around the state, including Manchester, discussed options, including tax cuts and direct grants.

Manchester town Director Stephen T. Cassano, first vice president of the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities, said Connecticut ranks 48th out of 50 states in the country in providing aid to cities and towns. Cassano said that has to be changed, but he favors direct grants over tax cuts.

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On the other hand, Rep. James R. McCavanagh, D-Manchester, said today he favors a tax cut and a 1987 town ordinance, all surplus public property must go through an appraisal and sealed bid or a public auction process. Dotson said the town has followed the law "to the T."

"We have an ordinance that says we will sell it at a fair-market value," Dotson said. In December, the five-acre parcel was appraised at \$18,000.

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She also is survived by another daughter, Della Eisman of South Windsor, two sons, Gary L. Pignone of Miami, Fla., and Thomas R. Pignone of Newington; a sister, Delphine Koschen in New York; and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be Friday at 8:15 a.m. from the Newington Memorial Funeral Home, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington, with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Burial will be in West Meadow Cemetery, Newington. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

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About 4 percent of the population gives blood regularly, Jones said. The agency is still low on O-negative and O-positive blood.

FOCUS



Village Crier

School budget averages are tasty morsels

There's probably no such animal as an "average" teacher — unless you read the school superintendent's budget proposal.

The average teacher in the Manchester public schools is 45 years old, has been teaching for 18 years (14½ of them in Manchester), and will make \$29,726 in the 1986-87 school year.

That profile is one of the tidbits hidden in the back of the superintendent's spending plan for next year.

Of the 544 teachers, 72 percent are women and — believe it or not — the other 28 percent are men. Forty-nine percent of them live in Manchester, and, according to the profile, the rest live out of town.

It's comforting to know that those teachers who don't live here live somewhere else.

BLOOD MATCH — The American Red Cross in the Hartford area has picked up on an intriguing dimension to the Japanese people's fondness for matchmaking and fortune telling: use of blood types. Twenty years ago, the Red Cross reports, Masahiko Nohmi founded the Blood Type Institute and began correlating individuals' blood types with social traits and work habits.

Recently, the Red Cross sponsored the first regional singles' blood drive, using the theme: "Are you my type?" According to the Japanese findings, single people attracted to deep thinkers seek out a Type A. Highly creative people might be found among Type Bs. Politicians and salespeople are likely to have Type O blood and the more rational types are ABs.

But when someone asks you, "Are you my type?" the Red Cross advises not to take the query too seriously. The organization still needs your blood — whatever the type.

ORSON SAYS THANKS — From Jim Davis, the cartoonist who draws "U.S. Acres," comes word that judging will be finished soon in the comic strip's Create-A-Character Contest.

When Davis invited kids to create a new character for his strip, more than 15,000 entries were received. Davis reported that 192 of them came from Manchester Herald readers.

The winners, who will get savings bonds and other prizes, will be announced next month, and the new character will appear in "U.S. Acres" in March.

A LOW BLOW — Manchester Girl Scouts are joining with other Girl Scouts across the U.S. in celebrating the 76th anniversary of Girl Scouting in the United States.

One little Brownie at Nathan Hale School looked puzzled when she was told that her troop was going to have a birthday party for Juliette Low, the founder of Girl Scouting in the U.S.

"Is she coming to the party?" she asked. Juliette Low died in 1927.

FIFTY YEARS AGO — From the Manchester Evening Herald of Friday, Jan. 15, 1937:

"For rent — Jan. 15th, on Cambridge Street, 6 room tenement, garage, \$35.

The first public dance sponsored by the Anderson-Shon Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held tomorrow night in the VFW Home, Manchester Green, at 8 o'clock.

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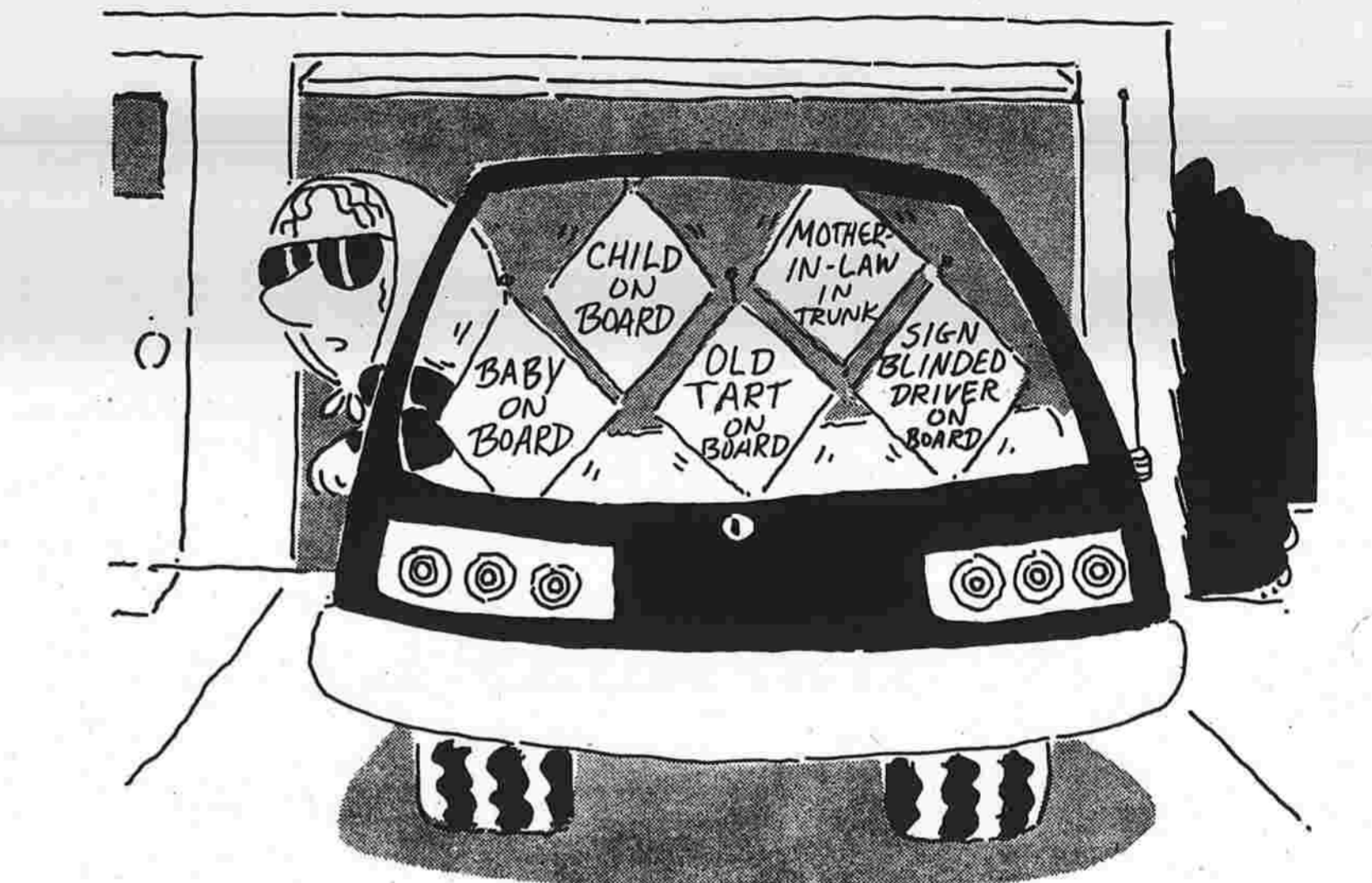
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Signs of the times

Rear windows reflect more than you think

By Penny Mintz
King Features Syndicate

A brand-new BMW is driving around the streets of New York with two car seats in the back. Above each seat is one of those little yellow signs that get stuck to the window with a suction cup. One sign says BABY ON BOARD. There should have been a third sign — YUPPIE ON BOARD! — suction-cupped right on the driver's forehead, and a fourth — WHO CARES WHO'S ON BOARD! — attached to all the surrounding cars.

"Who cares who's on board?" was exactly what the friend of my 10-year-old said as she read the literature on the BMW.

"I hate those signs," Abigail groaned. "They're so stupid."

A great many people agree. It's hard to understand, then, why those signs are so popular. They're more than just popular. A whole business has grown up around variations on the original.

"Oh, I love those," young Abigail says. "I'm sending one to my grandpa. He says OLD FART ON BOARD. I'm going to give it to him for his birthday."

Abigail may have managed to hit on the only gift that even the most doting grandpa might be reluctant to display.

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DOG'S. That last message may have been a direct response to the first. A lot of the unrest that the country experienced at that time is believed to be the result of the antagonism that exists between dog lovers and people who prefer children.

The tension increased during the '70s when supplies became a social force and they started having dogs. That tension eased as the number of BABY ON BOARD signs has grown.

The latest round of stickers reflect society's current concerns. Some of the ones spotted lately say JESUS LIVES. GOOD NEIGHBORS COME IN ALL COLORS. WATCH MY REAR END/NOT HERE. IGNORE YOUR TEETH AND THEY'LL GO AWAY. JESUS STILL LIVES. DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE. SPLIT WOOD/NOT ATOMS. MOM'S TAXI. JESUS DIED FOR YOU AND YOU CAN'T FIRE ME/SLAVES CAN ONLY BE SOLD.

These stickers, and numerous others, are found all over the place. Look around. You'll see them. But you have to look. They're stuck on the bumpers; so they're below eye level. That's one of the reasons why bumper stickers never made it really big. Bumper stickers are hard to see unless, of course, you drive a bigfoot.

THERE'S ANOTHER REASON for the bumper sticker's failure to become a resounding success. If you change your mind about your message or if you decide to sell your car, you're out of luck. You've got to have to spend hours soaking and peeling. In the end, your nails will be messed, but you'll still have black smears all over the chrome.

Luckily for the compulsive readers among us, there are plenty of people around who are not quite so serious. The original BABY ON BOARD! and CHILD ON BOARD! signs were quickly followed by spinoffs. We soon began to see that cars carried spoiled brats, millionaires-in-training, and princesses-in-training. Youngsters weren't the only ones on board. There were also big babies, grandparents, lovers and their resultant pregnant mothers and pregnant fathers.

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Somewhere, somewhere, saw the need for removable, eye-level car messages, and that person stepped in aggressively to answer that need. It's an example of our American system working at its best.

CHILD ON BOARD! read those first yellow, suction-cupped signs. According to psychologist Deborah Grody, the choice of message could not have been better.

"Part of the reason for the original success of the car signs is that the message ties in to the fact that yuppies are now having children," says Grody. "The signs reflect their concern about being on the road with all the drugs and drunk drivers. One people have a child, they all of a sudden become concerned about their safety. When young professionals have children, they frequently take on childrearing as they would a job. They are very serious about it, very conscientious."

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Your neighbors' views: Should schools offer classes on AIDS and safe sex?



Frank Gerardo: "Yeah. Well, if it's a part of their education, they should be talking about it in school."

Nicole Crates: "Yes. Because the kids are getting their information from other kids. And that's not a very accurate way to learn about things."

Betty Woodlett: "I believe...it. The worst thing in the world is ignorance. That's how these kids

Plan ahead when shipping pet by air

QUESTION: I'm planning on shipping my dog to the West Coast by air. What advice do you have for me? What precautions should I take?

ANSWER: After many complaints, the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 1966 passed the Animal Welfare Act, amended in 1976, that established minimum requirements for pets traveling by air. All U.S. airlines, planes, terminals and freight storage areas are regulated and inspected. However, not every flight can be monitored and accidents do happen, so choose your flight carefully.

To begin with try to procure a non-stop flight or at least a direct flight with short stopovers, preferably with no plane changes. Avoid crowded weekends, holidays, peak periods and weather extremes. Purchase a sturdy carrier in which to ship your pet. Cardboard ones may be used but a rugged plastic fiber glass one is preferable. Airlines have specifications for these carriers so be sure and comply. Setting all these details before the flight will save you many problems. The commercial carriers are constructed for good reasons.

There are two ways pets may travel. The better way is in the cabin with you where you'll be sure of conditions. However, your carrying case must be small enough to fit under the seat as any carry-on luggage. By law the carrier must be large enough so your pet can sit, stand, turn and lie down comfortably. This eliminates large pets from the cabin and into the hold. Those that can qualify for the cabin must stay in their containers during take off, landings, rough weather and mealtimes. They're allowed out under their companion's restraint only if they don't bother other passengers, except for the previous periods. If your dog must fly in the cargo hold that by law is supposed to be comfortable and pressurized — some airlines will only guarantee the temperature will be above freezing. Some cargo holds can harbor dangerous fumes from evaporating dry ice or from insecticides used in those areas. Be sure your carrier will fit through the cargo door if it is a large one.

Pets under 8 weeks, weaned less than 5 days, pregnant, old or

debilitated and particularly short-nosed dogs that have breathing problems normally may be overstressed, especially during hot weather. The carrier itself should have absorbent bedding, newspapers are fine. They must have a handle and be shaped so there is proper circulation, even if stacked closely together.

Familiarize your pet with his carrying case before the flight. Have him sit in it and sleep in it so he will be more at ease when confined during the flight. Secure a water bowl inside the pet carrier and have a bag of dry or semi-moist food fastened to the outside if it's to be a long trip or for an unplanned delay. There must be access into the carrier for this food without opening the door. The door itself must be kept securely locked. Don't feed your pet for five to six hours before the flight and withhold water for one to two hours before takeoff. Don't load him too early if he is going into cargo, 45 minutes to 1 hour before takeoff is soon enough. Remove all collars and choke chains except for a light one containing an identification label or tag. No toys are allowed in the cage.

Tranquilizers before flying are often advisable in light to moderate doses to calm anxious pets. But tranquilizers in even moderate doses may lower blood pressure and respiratory rates and be dangerous. Only use them in excitable individuals and always try them before the actual flight. Tranquilizers affect individuals in

varying degrees so discover the desired dosage by testing them before. The response should be quieting but not sedating or, if not effective, will require a higher dosage in some individuals.

If your pet is flying alone be sure someone is there to meet him. To speed cargo unloading some airlines will supply personalized handling where he doesn't have to wait with the rest of the cargo contents — at an additional fee of course. Don't feed your pet for three to four hours after landing. Instead, offer a treat or some ice to avoid dehydration.

Most states require a current rabies vaccination and some a current health certificate. These your veterinarian can supply. Also have a pre-flight physical to be sure he is up to the rigors of flight. Pets with medical problems should be medicated before flying. At this time your veterinarian can apply the appropriate treatments.

Seeing eyes and hearing dogs may be exempt from some of these cabin regulations. Also remember that foreign airlines don't have as strict regulations. Even with all the laws and regulations, goals still occur, such as the cat that was lost for three days at Chicago's O'Hare Airport recently. Cargo contents do get lost, suitcases as well as pet carriers. By taking the above precautions you can minimize potential problems. The airlines carry thousands of pets successfully and are experienced at it. So happy landing to your dog.

Pet Forum

Allan Leventhal, D.V.M.

Births

Aziak. Michael Carmel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aziak of 181 Summit St., was born Dec. 28 at home. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Burgess of Windsor. His paternal grandmother is Mrs. Carmel Aziak of Doly City, Calif. He has a sister, Maureen and a brother, Peter.

Burke. Vincent Carl, son of James D. Burke Sr. and Marion (Dondi) Burke of 815 Tolland Turpike, was born Dec. 26 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. J. Dondi of South Glastonbury.

During his lifetime, the contemporary man will have spent a total of 100 years hacking at whalers. But, only two years ago, with much less efficient shaving systems available, the time spent on shaving was twice as long, according to Wilkinson Sword, a razor manufacturer.

About Town

Parents' group has orientation
Parents Without Partners Chapter 469 will have an orientation meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the home of Howard Mitten, 197 Hackmatack St.

Christian singles meet Sunday
EAST HARTFORD — The Christian Singles will meet Sunday at 7 p.m. at St. Christopher's Church hall, Brewer Street. Dan Laffin of the Hartford YMCA will speak on yoga and meditation.

Book clubs meet in January
SOUTH WINDSOR — The James Joyce Club will hold a meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Paperback Alley, 584 Sullivan Ave. The group will continue with readings of William Butler Yeats' poetry.

Savoyards perform in musical
The Savoyards, Manchester Gilbert & Sullivan Players' traveling group, will present "Once Upon a Mattress" Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Society East, 153 W. Vernon St.

College Notes
McGuire earns doctor's degree
Edward C. McGuire of 59 Walker St. recently received a doctor of chiropractic degree from the National College of Chiropractic, Lombard, Ill.

O'Brien interns at Company One
Ellen O'Brien of Meadow Lane is serving as an intern with Company One, a theater group in Hartford, during the spring semester. She is a senior at the Fine Arts program at the University of Connecticut majoring in dramatics.

Dayna Peck interns in D.C.
Dayna Peck, daughter of Naomi Peck of Esquire Drive and Robert Peck of Oka Ferry, participated recently in an internship program in Washington, D.C. The program was part of the Hartwick College academic program. It focused on the U.S. Probation and Parole office.

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Lone Ranger gets stolen guns back
MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — The Lone Ranger retrieved his stolen guns and silver bullets, then rode off in a cloud of dust with a hearty "Hi Ho Silver!"

Diabetes club meets Tuesday
The East of the River Diabetes Club will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Manchester Memorial Hospital's auditorium.

LTM has subscription drive
The Little Theatre of Manchester is conducting its annual subscription telethon through Jan. 31.



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are worth "somewhere in the neighborhood of \$12,000," Flaherty said.

"I'm elated," Moore, 72, said before retrieving the six-shotguns. "The guns, gun holster and gun belt do belong to my fans and to Clayton Moore, the Lone Ranger. I'm just glad they didn't get the Lone Ranger's mask and my hat."

Moore, who played the Lone Ranger during six of the show's eight television seasons from 1949 to 1957, said he carried the white cowboy hat with him during the flight. The mask was in his wife's purse, Flaherty said.

The pistols were bought by a Texas collector who didn't realize the items were reported missing, attorney Lum Hawthorn of Beaumont, Texas, said Tuesday.

The gear was returned by the collector who did not want to be identified, Flaherty said. Investigators do not believe Hawthorn's client was involved in taking the items.

"We would just like to find out who his client got the guns from," he said. "The Houston Police Department and the Texas Rangers are following up some leads through a Continental Airlines ticket counter on Christmas Eve at Houston's airport, Flaherty said. The bag vanished somewhere between the counter and the plane Moore took to Los Angeles.

Two costumes, including a neckerchief with silver clasp, remain missing. The guns, bullets and belts

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Study says egg defects a defense

BOSTON (AP) — Women may have trouble getting pregnant because about half the eggs they produce are genetically defective, according to research that a doctor said could show one way nature promotes survival of the fittest.

The study, published today, found that among women taking fertility drugs, half their eggs have major genetic defects. Researchers said it's possible that all women produce so many damaged eggs.

If so, it would help explain a mystery of human fertility: Why do some women achieve pregnancy during almost every menstrual cycle. But experts estimate there's only a 15 percent to 20 percent chance that a woman will get pregnant during a month when she's having intercourse without using birth control.

"We believe that chromosomal abnormalities in the gametes (eggs) are one major explanation for this," said Dr. Holan Wramby, who directed the study in Sweden. "We have to search for other explanations, too, I think, but this is very important."

Dr. Dorothy Warburton of Columbia University takes the speculation a step further. She says that most fertilized human eggs get expelled early in pregnancy because of genetic problems or some other difficulty.

"For much of the history of our species, this could have served as a natural barrier to excessive fertility, leading to greater overall fitness, given the high expenditure of energy required to raise a human child to maturity," she wrote.

"Thus, a reduction in the total number of live births may ultimately mean that a couple leaves more grandchildren."

The Warburton's suggestion was published in an editorial in the "New England Journal of Medicine," which also published Wramby's study from the General Hospital in Malmo, Sweden.

Experts believe many women have miscarriages even before they know they are pregnant. Genetically damaged sperm, problems of early development — some inside the womb — and other factors all may play a role in this loss. However, the new research suggests that the dominant problem could be faulty eggs.

"This is very suggestive that it's the egg itself that may be abnormal in a large percentage of women," said Dr. Patricia McShane of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

The researchers believe most of the genetic mistakes in the eggs are so massive that the eggs cannot survive after fertilization and are expelled.

"In some ways, nature has been very kind to us by recognizing early that these are not normal and aborting them," said McShane. "The body has a wisdom in that regard."

Wramby's study was conducted on 17 women who were participating in an in vitro, or test tube, fertilization program because of blocked tubes. After giving the women fertility drugs, they returned 23 eggs and found that 11 of them contained clearly abnormal chromosomes.

There are many reasons for having items appraised

The first month of the year is always the peak time for appraisals. It's a time when you'll want to have your personal effects, your business interests, your lever assets you own — and 1987 will apparently turn out to be a peak of peaks. Already the statistics available point in a direction straight up for appraisals of all sorts.

What's more, general ignorance of how appraisals work and what knowledge consumers need to protect themselves is abysmally low.

To illustrate: Prior to holding a yard sale in Washington, D.C., a woman had several items appraised. To her surprise, an Oriental rug that she thought worth about \$250 was valued at \$3,000.

An estate executor recently asked for an appraisal of the Belgian surrealist Rene Magritte. Estimated value: \$10,000.

YOU'VE PROBABLY HEARD similar stories. Treasures turn up in surprising places every day. But just how much such treasures are worth depends, in part, on what you plan to do with them.

Routine reasons for having your possessions appraised: insurance, estate valuation and dividing property due to divorce. Or perhaps you want to make a donation of an expensive item or piece of property, or you want to sell a possession.

Since an appraisal is a detailed list of your more valuable assets, it represents part of your personal

Social Security Mailbox

Medicare coverage added

QUESTION: A couple of weeks ago, I started working for a state government agency. State employees here aren't covered by Social Security, but when I got my first paycheck, some Social Security tax had been deducted. I was told this is for Medicare. Do state employees have to pay a Medicare tax?

ANSWER: A 1986 change in the law extended Medicare coverage to state and local government employees who are hired after March 31, 1986, and are not covered by Social Security. This means they will be eligible for Medicare when they reach age 65 or before 65 if they become disabled.

QUESTION: As a worker, what

Troubled youths fail to receive right help

The office concluded that, in general, mental health services for children are helpful, although it could not determine what programs are best for particular children with particular problems.

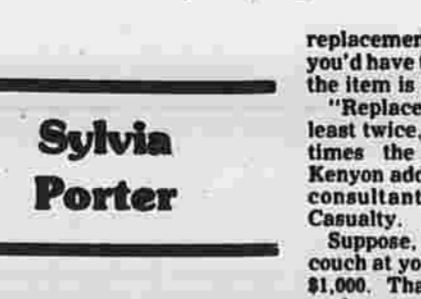
The office also found that, although there are shortages in all forms of mental health care for youths under age 18, community-based services and coordination of services seem to most need improvement.

"Available epidemiologic data indicate that at least 12 percent, or 7.5 million, of the nation's approximately 63 million children suffer from emotional or other problems that warrant mental health treatment — and that figure may be as high as 15 percent, or 9.5 million children," the report said.

Of those in need, 70 percent to 80 percent may not be getting the proper services, the report said. The causes of mental disorders generally are not known, the report said. But some factors pose major risks for children's mental health, the office said, among them poverty, mental illness or alcoholism in parents, a teen-age parent, malnutrition, premature birth and parental divorce.

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financial portfolio. If, due to an emergency, you have to sell your assets, an appraisal will help you set prices.

Moreover, this special list can help you if you plan to make specific bequests, and it can be helpful to appraisers who are called upon to protect themselves in abysmally low.

Suppose, for example, you decide to bequeath what you believe is an emerald ring to a grandchild. An appraiser may discover that the stone, in fact, is a tourmaline — and save your heirs only possible confusion and hassle.

And if you plan to move, an appraisal gives you a handy checklist of valuables, and establishes their value, should the movers lose or damage your property.

Some day, too, you may need an appraisal to help establish collateral for a bank loan.

WITH ALL THESE reasons in mind, knowing the purpose or purposes for having an appraisal is crucial. Appraisers use one of two methods to evaluate your possessions: fair market value and replacement value.

Fair market value is defined by the IRS as the price at which property will change hands between a willing buyer and a willing seller, notes Stephanie A. Kenyon, a vice president at C.G. Sloan & Co., a Washington auction and appraisal firm.

Appraisal of items for insurance, however, is usually based on the

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Libby Eddy, right, a volunteer foster parent in the Heal-the-Children program, visits Rosa Gonzalez, 11, who was flown from the Dominican Republic to the United States for medical care by Heal-the-Children. She received orthopedic surgery at Manchester Memorial Hospital while recuperating from ophthalmologic surgery at the David Eddy home in Coventry. Manchester physicians Wells Jacobson and Herbert Snyder donated their services for the surgery and Manchester Hospital donated the hospital's services.

Community provides help for girl from Caribbean

Eleven-year-old Rosa Gonzalez Eddy, Rosa returned to Coventry, where she is continuing her recovery from both surgical procedures. She will remain in this country until her physicians authorize her release, but she will return for a second cornea transplant later this year.

The care donated by the Manchester hospital was its first participation in the Heal-the-Children project, says Andrew A. Beck, hospital public relations director.

The Libby family heard about the foster parent aspect of the program through the Coventry Jaycees. The Jaycees, as well as the Coventry Lions Club, have helped Rosa during her visit. Several other physicians have been ready to donate their services, if necessary.

"Everyone has been so willing to help," Libby Eddy said. "It's really nice to see such an outpouring of support."

Following the successful surgery, Rosa recuperated at the home of her foster family, David and Libby Eddy of Coventry. One day in late December while roller skating in Coventry, she fell and broke her ankle, which required surgery.

Dr. Wells Jacobson, an orthopedic surgeon from Manchester, was contacted and agreed to donate his services, as did Dr. Herbert Snyder, a Manchester radiologist. Warren Prelesnik, president of Manchester Memorial Hospital, was also approached by Heal-the-Children and agreed to donate the hospital's services for the surgery. The surgery, which was performed on an out-patient basis,

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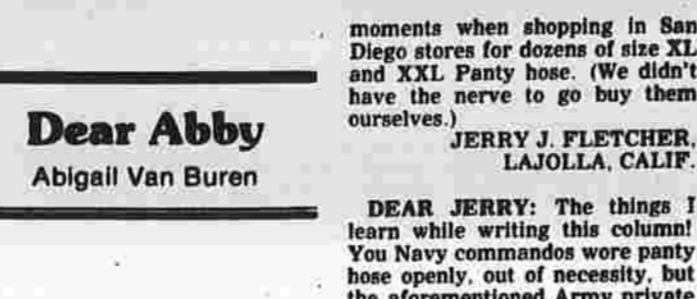
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Continuing Education

Thursday TV

5:00PM [ESPN] NFL Film High lights from Super Bowl X with the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Dallas Cowboys.
[HO] MOVIE: 'Wildman' A young woman meets a man who needs more than muscles to cope with her job. Lisa Eichhorn.
[MA] MOVIE: 'Pee Wee's Big Adventure' (C) Pee Wee Herman sets out on a cross-country trip in an effort to discover his stolen bike. Pee Wee Herman, Elizabeth Daily, Dana Snelger. 1985. Rated PG.

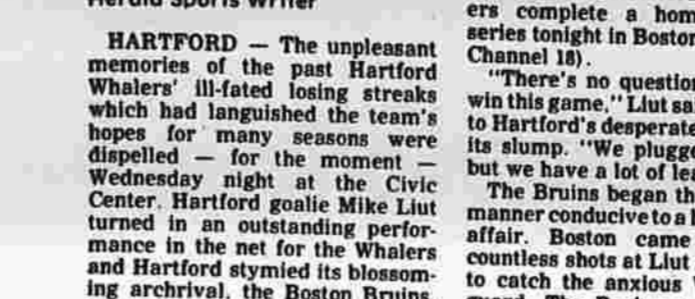
11:30PM (C) ABC News Tonight
(1) Police Woman
(1) Honeymooners
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Advice
Army's lingerie-loving private can get free medical advice



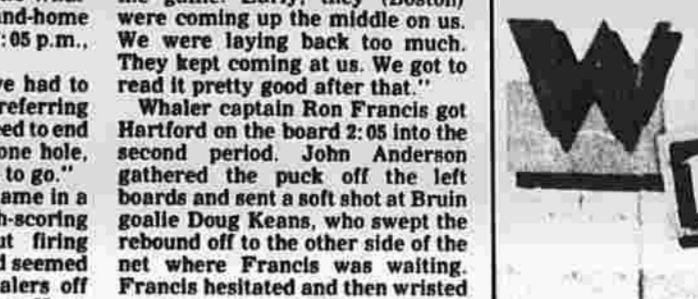
DEAR ABBY: I am a young man in the U.S. Army. This is in reference to the letter from "Private Person," who described himself as a young man who is now serving in the U.S. Army. His problem was that he was wearing women's underwear. You advised the private to wear women's undergarments. You advised him that the two just wouldn't fit together.

SPORTS
Liut's goaltending halts 'Whalers' slide



By Jim Tierney
Hartford Sports Writer
HARTFORD — The unpleasant memories of the past Hartford Whalers' ill-fated losing streaks which had languished the team's hopes for many seasons were dispelled — for the moment — Wednesday night at the Civic Center. Hartford goalie Mike Liut turned in an outstanding performance in the net for the Whalers and Hartford stymied its blossoming archrival, the Boston Bruins, 3-1, to end a four-game losing streak before a sellout crowd of 15,128.

Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren



DEAR ABBY: The things I learn while writing this column! You Navy commandos were panty hose openly, out of necessity, but the aforementioned Army private wears women's lingerie but lacks, which is quite another matter.
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Supplements cause cramps



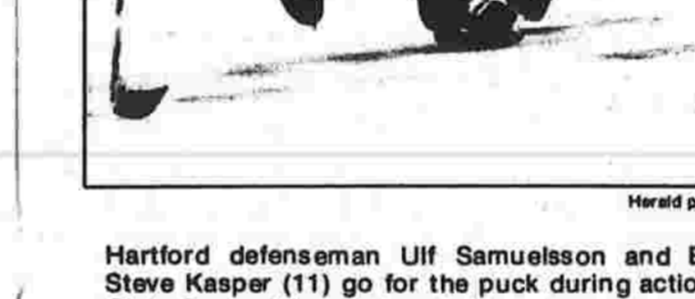
DEAR DR. GOTT: I get intestinal pains a lot. I am taking calcium supplements, even Tums and even Tylenol. I don't like to drink milk, a drink cheese is out of my diet. I am taking calcium supplements, even Tums and even Tylenol. I don't like to drink milk, a drink cheese is out of my diet.

Thoughts



She taught English in a missionary school in Africa. At Christmas time she tried to explain to the children why Christians often exchanged gifts. She was not sure she had explained the custom clearly.

Clippers finally get into win column

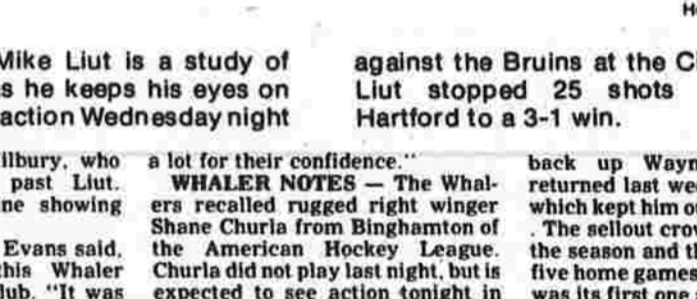


Hartford defenseman Ulf Samuelsson and Boston's Steve Kasper (11) go for the puck during action at the Civic Center Wednesday night.

NBA Roundup

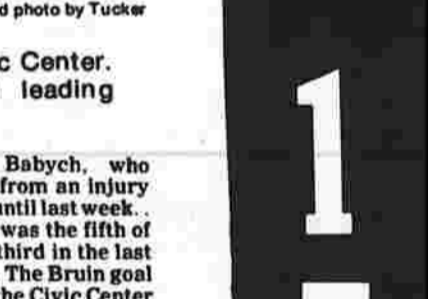
The Los Angeles Clippers haven't proven much except for how bad they are this season. The team with the NBA's worst record has gotten tired of that — and the finally did something about it.

Providence bombers gun down Huskies



Hartford goalie Mike Liut is a study of concentration as he keeps his eyes on the puck during action Wednesday night.

Williams, Hunter to be enshrined



Jim "Catfish" Hunter was elected Wednesday night to the baseball Hall of Fame. Hunter got 315 votes, five over the minimum needed to make it.

Cinema

HARTFORD
Cinema City — No Mercy (R) 9:40 — Twist and Shout (7) 9:20 — Lady and the Tramp (G) 4:30 — Round Midnight (R) 8:15 — Clockwise (PG) 7:30 — Children of a Lesser God (R) 7:30, 9:40.

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Brand New Listing - Elegant 9 room Split-Level home on the 10th green at Ellington Ridge Country Club. Contemporary style, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, magnificent landscaping, central air and lots, lots more! \$369,000. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate, 647-8400.

Lots of Personality! This sprawling 9 room Ranch is chock full of extras! Master bedroom with lacquer room, sliders to beautiful rear yard, fireplace, 2 car garage, aluminum siding and much more. Call today! \$148,900. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate, 647-8400.

Brand New Listing! Very nice older Colonial on tree lined street in Vernon, 4 bedrooms, spacious kitchen, glassed-in porch, big lot with terraced rear yard. Newer roof and furnace. \$112,000. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate, 647-8400.

Pot O'Gold can be found under the roof of this new 3 bedroom Contemporary 2 1/2 baths, family room with warming fireplace, 2 car garage. Let yourself be the elegant trustee of this treasure! \$199,900. Blanchard & Rossetto Realtors, "We Guarantee Our Houses", 646-2482.

Buy 1, Get 1 Free - A 7 room Contemporary that offers full scale pleasure. Plus a very nice 3 room in-law suite. Both surrounded by 8 acres of fruit trees, bushes, and wind swept meadow. Something special. Blanchard & Rossetto Realtors, "We Guarantee Our Houses", 646-2482.

Manchester New Listing! Affordable 6 room Cape, 3 bedrooms, dining room, full basement, nice lot, convenient location. Price to sell at \$97,900. Keith Real Estate, 646-4126.

Manchester - 7 room Colonial in nice area, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, wall to wall carpet, gas furnace, 3 zone heat, fireplace, garage. Call 647-8105 after 6pm, weekdays 9 to 5, \$128,900.

27 MORTGAGES

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28 REAL ESTATE WANTED

Builder with property to build duplex in Manchester area. Call 647-9077 or 647-7550.

Rentals

Attractive, paneled, carpeted, with huge cedar closet. Near buses, Parkade. 649-0102

31 ROOMS FOR RENT

Manchester - 5 room, 2 bedroom, 1st floor, appliances, walk-in-walk-out, full basement, washer and dryer hook ups, garage; on bus line. No utilities. 1 month security deposit. \$75. 649-6245 after 5 pm.

32 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Manchester - 2nd floor, 2 bedroom, heat and appliances. No pets. \$550 plus security. Call 646-3979.

32 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Two bedroom townhouse - heat, hot water, carpeting, air conditioned, all appliances. Nice location. Call 647-1995.

Excellent 3 room apartment. Stove, refrigerator, no pets. References and security. \$350. 649-4003.

New 5 room duplex apartment. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fully appointed, no pets. References and security. \$675 plus utilities. 649-4003.

4 room apartment, available immediately. Adults only. No pets. No appliances. Security and references. 1 car. 649-1265.

Manchester West Side - 3 bedrooms, appliances, security, \$650 plus utilities. Call 646-1496.

New duplex - 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, appliances included. 1 month security, \$650 monthly. Utilities not included. Peterman Building and Realty, 649-7043 or 643-1951 or 647-1340.

Manchester - 3 bedroom in duplex. Excellent location. Rec room, fireplace, appliances included. 1 car garage, 1 month security, \$725 monthly. Utilities not included. Peterman Building and Realty, 649-7043 or 643-1951 or 647-1340.

Three room apartments - No appliances. No pets. Security. Call 646-2426 weekdays 9 to 5.

2 bedroom Townhouse. Modern both and kitchen. Parking for 2 cars. \$550 per month. Heat and utilities not included. No pets. One year lease plus security. 649-0795 or 643-2283, ask for Rick.

Two bedroom, heat, hot water, parking air conditioned. \$480 per month. Call after 6pm. 528-6616.

Four room apartment, heat, garage and appliances. \$550. Professional or retired couple preferred. 643-8664.

Manchester - available February 1st 5 bedrooms, appliances, washer/dryer hookups. \$540 plus utilities. Security required. Call 643-8147 after 5pm.

Manchester - New and unit condominium, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 1st 2 car garage, central air, \$720/month plus utilities. 872-9270.

Manchester - Unique adult complex, 1 bedroom, \$500 per month, 2 bedrooms, \$650 month includes appliances kitchen, pool, sound, game room exercise room, balconies, and more. 649-6355.

South Windsor - 2 bedroom Townhouse, Westage Condos, 1 1/2 baths, fully appointed kitchen, washer, dryer hookups in private basement. Central air, pool, tennis, heat and hot water included in rent. Small pet acceptable. \$750 plus security. Available immediately. 649-0795.

Manchester - New 2 bedroom townhouse, 1 1/2 baths, garage, deck, air conditioning, washer/dryer hookups, fully appointed kitchen. \$675 plus utilities. No pets. Call 795-3126.

34 HOMES FOR RENT

Manchester - 5 room ranch style house. \$750 per month plus utilities, references and security deposit required. February 1 occupancy. Call 643-1580 evenings.

36 STORE AND OFFICE SPACE

Main Street - Working center. Professional office space, 2 offices and reception area. New, ideal location and parking. Call 647-1662. Bob Vanderkalk.

Manchester - dynamic office space, 200 square feet and up. Vacancy. Reasonable with many amenities. Call Kleron Realty, Inc., 649-1147.

BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

61 CHILD CARE

Happy Homes - "R" clean repairs and remodeling. Professional residential and commercial cleaning. Call between 4 and 10 pm. 456-8317.

Responsible young woman with own transportation, experience and excellent references to do child care and/or housework. Evenings and weekends. Please call 646-5683.

Licensed day care - Full/part time. Lunch program, newer home. Manchester, 646-7474.

62 CLEANING SERVICES

Office & building cleaning - \$35/week/101-weekly. Call 569-1708 leave message.

A&R Cleaning - Office & building cleaning. Excellent local references. Free quote. 742-5653.

63 INTERIOR PAINTING

Interior Painting and Paper Hanging. References. Fully insured. Free estimates. 649-4431 or 643-0321.

64 LOOKING FOR good news?

Look for the many bargain buys advertised in the classified columns today.

65 CARPENTRY/REMODELING

Carpentry & Remodeling Services - Complete home repairs and remodeling. We specialize in bathrooms and kitchens. Small scale commercial work. References. 646-8165.

Custom furniture and cabinets; furniture and antique repair; custom wood working. Call The Woodsmith, 643-8538.

66 PAINTING/PAPERING

Larry's painting and textured ceilings. Free estimates. Reasonable. 646-7069.

Interior/exterior painting - new construction commercial, residential and apartments. Spray painting, brush and roller, wood staining, texture ceiling spraying, water proofing. Quality dependable on time work, licensed and insured. Call B & D Associates of 87-7013.

67 PAINTING/PAPERING

Name your own price - Fast, dependable service. Painting, Paperhanging & Removal. Call 872-6227.

68 ELECTRICAL

Electrical Contractor - Replace that old fuse panel, upgrade to a new circuit breaker panel. Drives, outlets, swimming pools, wired, rec rooms. Fluores installed, also commercial wiring done. 20 years experience. Free estimates. 646-5296.

69 HEATING/PLUMBING

Pogarty Brothers - Bathroom remodeling, installation water heaters, garbage disposals; faucet repairs. 649-659. Visa/MasterCard accepted.

YOU CAN enjoy extra vacation money by exchanging idle items in your home for cash... with an ad in classified. Call 643-2711 to place your ad.

60 MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

Odd jobs, Trucking, Home repairs. You name it, we do it. Free estimates. Insured. 643-0004.

Your local handyman! Call John at 643-4383 and please leave message.

Howkes Truck Service - Buckets & Chippers. Shump removal. Free estimates. Special consideration for elderly and handicapped. 647-7553.

Typing done in my home. Quick and reasonable. Editing services also available. Call 647-1924 after 5pm.

Experienced professional typist needs home work assignments. Please call evenings/weekends 647-9094.

61 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HELEN C. BRISSETTE, BRISSETTE, Late of Manchester, Deceased. The Hon. William E. Fitzgerald, Judge, of the Court of Probate, District of Manchester, on or before April 16, 1987 or before as by law provided.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS - ESTATE OF ALDO J. SAPPORI, aka JOSEPH SAPPORI, DECEASED. Pursuant to an order of Hon. William E. Fitzgerald, Judge, of the Court of Probate, District of Manchester, on or before February 10, 1987 at 2:45 P.M.

INVESTIGATION - HOCANUS SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER WALL REMOVAL. The Board of Education of the Town of Bolton are hereby notified that there will be a caucus in the meeting room of the Bentley Memorial Library on Tuesday, January 20, 1987 at 7:00 a.m. for the purpose of selecting party-endorsed candidates for municipal offices to be voted on at the May 4, 1987 election, and to transact such other business as may properly come before said caucus.

MARK JOHNSON, Chairman, Republican Town Committee.

COURT OF PROBATE, DISTRICT OF MANCHESTER. NOTICE OF HEARING - ESTATE OF CLARENCE J. BURKE, aka CLARENCE J. BURKE, DECEASED. Pursuant to an order of Hon. William E. Fitzgerald, Judge, dated December 30, 1986 a hearing will be held on an application praying for authority to sell certain real property situated in the Town of Manchester, County of Hartford, in said application on file more fully appears at the Court of Probate on February 10, 1987 at 2:00 P.M.

1975 Chevy Vega - good for parts. Rebuilt automatic transmission. \$99.00 or best offer. Call 646-6028 after 5:00.

1974 Plymouth, 6 cylinder, 4 door, automatic, \$6,000. Best offer. 646-1395 after 5pm.

1974 Ford Van, good condition. \$1500 or best offer. 875-6344.

1974 Chevrolet Malibu - '71, 4 door, 307 engine, automatic transmission, oil new brakes. Running condition. \$99.00. Call 649-5033.

Big Red - 1972 Olds 98, red with black vinyl top. 453-cubic inch engine. Loaded. Including air/cruise control. Interior perfect, no rust. 130,000 miles. Call Ken, 222-2228, after 6 p.m.

Three 175x80-13 steel belt radials for sale. \$50.00. Good condition. Call 643-7696.

P165/80B13 Tires - mounted on 4 hole rims. Excellent condition. 2 each. Total \$40.00. Call 643-5281.

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